



# SC Annual School Report Card Summary

Lexington High School  
 Lexington 1  
 Grades: 9-12 Enrollment: 3,180  
 Principal: Melissa C. Rawl  
 Superintendent: Dr. Karen C. Woodward  
 Board Chair: Cynthia S. Smith

## PERFORMANCE

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YEAR	ABSOLUTE RATING	GROWTH RATING	PALMETTO GOLD AND SILVER AWARD		ESEA/FEDERAL ACCOUNTABILITY RATING SYSTEM	
			General Performance	Closing the Gap	ESEA Grade	Accountability Indicator
2013	Excellent	Excellent	TBD	TBD	B	N/A
2012	Excellent	Good	Gold	N/A	B	N/A
2011	Excellent	Good	Gold	Gold	Not Met	N/A

## ABSOLUTE RATINGS OF HIGH SCHOOLS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS\*

EXCELLENT	GOOD	AVERAGE	BELOW AVERAGE	AT-RISK
6	0	0	0	0

\* Ratings are calculated with data available by 11/07/2013. Schools with Students Like Ours are High Schools with Poverty Indices of no more than 5% above or below the index for this school.

## HIGH SCHOOL ASSESSMENT PROGRAM(HSAP) EXAM PASSAGE RATE(%): SECOND YEAR STUDENTS

	Our High School		High Schools with Students Like Ours	
	2012	2013	2012	2013
Passed 2 subtests (%)	90.1%	94.4%	94.7%	94.9%
Passed 1 subtest (%)	5.2%	3.5%	3.6%	3.4%
Passed no subtests (%)	4.8%	2.1%	2.6%	1.7%

## HSAP PASSAGE RATE (%) BY SPRING 2013

	Our High School	High Schools with Students Like Ours
Passage Rate	98.8%	98.6%

## ON-TIME GRADUATION RATE

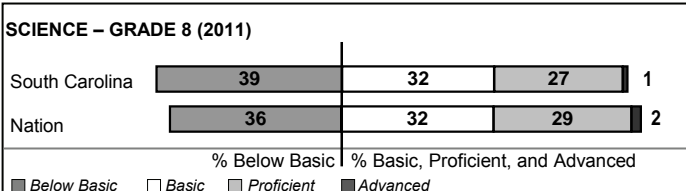
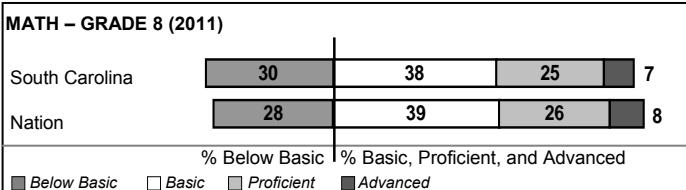
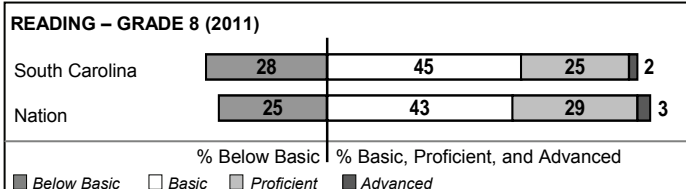
	Our High School	High Schools with Students Like Ours
Number of students	729	425
Number of Diplomas	639	370
Rate (%)	87.7%	89.4%

## END OF COURSE TESTS - 2013

% of students scoring 70 or above on:	Our High School	High Schools with Students Like Ours
Algebra 1/Math for the Technologies 2	93.3	93.2
English 1	80.8	90.7
Biology 1/Applied Biology 2	90.3	92.1
US History and the Constitution	85.2	79.5
All Tests	87.9	89.2

## NAEP PERFORMANCE\*

\* Performance reported for SC and nation, data not available at school level. Percentages at NAEP Achievement Levels.



## SC PERFORMANCE VISION

*By 2020 all students will graduate with the knowledge and skills necessary to compete successfully in the global economy, participate in a democratic society and contribute positively as members of families and communities.*

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# Lexington High School [Lexington 1]

## SCHOOL PROFILE

	Our School	Change from Last Year	High Schools with Students Like Ours	Median High School
<b>Students (n=3,180)</b>				
Retention rate	4.0%	Up from 3.7%	2.6%	2.9%
Attendance rate	94.6%	Down from 95.2%	96.2%	95.1%
Served by gifted and talented program	36.4%	N/A	33.5%	17.5%
With disabilities	7.2%	N/A	8.0%	11.9%
Older than usual for grade	5.5%	N/A	4.5%	7.9%
Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent and/or criminal offenses	0.3%	No Change	0.3%	1.1%
Enrolled in AP/IB programs	38.1%	Up from 27.8%	31.0%	15.1%
Successful on AP/IB exams	78.2%	Up from 75.1%	78.6%	51.5%
Eligible for LIFE Scholarship	67.8%	Down from 69.2%	69.8%	30.6%
Annual dropout rate	0.9%	Up from 0.8%	0.7%	2.3%
Career/technology students in co-curricular organizations	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Enrollment in career/technology courses	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Career/technology students attaining technical skills	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Teachers (n=181)</b>				
Teachers with advanced degrees	66.3%	Down from 67.7%	71.9%	63.4%
Continuing contract teachers	81.8%	Up from 79.6%	81.9%	78.8%
Teachers returning from previous year	89.0%	Down from 89.4%	89.4%	86.2%
Teacher attendance rate	96.5%	Up from 95.7%	95.6%	95.2%
Average teacher salary*	\$50,449	Up 0.4%	\$50,334	\$48,699
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	0.5%	Up from 0.0%	2.6%	2.5%
Professional development days/teacher	7.1 days	Down from 11.3 days	10.5 days	9.8 days
<b>School</b>				
Principal's years at school	2.0	Up from 1.0	5.0	3.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	29.7 to 1	Up from 29.1 to 1	29.6 to 1	26.9 to 1
Prime instructional time	90.5%	Up from 89.4%	91.0%	89.0%
Dollars spent per pupil**	\$5,764	Down 8.6%	\$6,449	\$7,919
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries**	66.0%	Up from 62.6%	61.0%	57.0%
Percent of expenditures for instruction**	68.0%	Up from 64.0%	63.5%	60.0%
Opportunities in the arts	Excellent	No Change	Excellent	Excellent
SACS accreditation	Yes	No Change	Yes	Yes
Parents attending conferences	67.8%	Down from 68.5%	95.9%	97.7%
Character development program	Good	No Change	Excellent	Good
ESEA composite index score	87.2	Down from 89.9	91.0	77.4

\* Length of contract = 185+ days.

\*\* Prior year audited financial data available.

## EVALUATION RESULTS

	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	114	506	35
Percent satisfied with learning environment	93%	82.6%	91.4%
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	98.3%	88.1%	79.5%
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	92.9%	86.9%	72.2%

\*Only eleventh grade students and their parents were included. For schools without grade eleven, only the highest grade was included.

## REPORT OF PRINCIPAL AND SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL

Lexington High School continued to improve during the 2012-2013 school year. Preparing students to be 21st century learners continues to be a top priority. We were proud this year when 63% of the 2013 senior class graduated as completers of majors. The previous year (2012) only 44% received them. Their focus on learning helped them form their futures.

With more than 3,100 students and larger class sizes, it was a daily challenge to help each student and give individual attention. However, teachers collaborated to develop innovative strategies to help improve test scores and worked with students individually to become successful.

Through caring teachers and a supportive staff, test scores soared. The LHS pass rates for all four End-of-Course Exams (Algebra 1, Biology 1, English 1 and U.S. History) improved from the previous year.

Communicating with all stakeholders remained a challenge. We took the advice and suggestions of our School Improvement Council and offered emails to parents, various workshops and information nights in an attempt to keep our students and parents informed. One of those suggestions, Registration Information Night for Upper Classmen, gave students and parents a time to meet with teachers and students about classes for the coming year.

Besides academic successes, Lexington High School shone artistically and athletically. Our Fine Arts Department worked together to display student talent and won many awards. Our Athletic Department once again won the Director's Cup, signifying that Lexington High School is the top 4A athletic program in the state of South Carolina! Girls and boys cross country, girls golf, wrestling and baseball teams all won State Championships.

With changing demographics, students and families found themselves with fewer amenities than in the past. Our School Improvement Council spearheaded a Food Improves Thinking (FIT) program to provide healthy, nutritious meals on weekends for families who needed them. The community volunteered their time and resources to make this program a success. We plan to continue with this program to help our families.

Lexington High School is truly blessed to have a community of caring with superior academics, arts and athletics! We will continue to strive to be the best!

Principal Melissa Rawl and SIC Chair Billy Chastain

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